

1	2	3	4	5
Debt asset ratio (Per cent)	1971	4.13	8.53	4.42
	1981	1.80	2.28	1.83
	1991	1.61	3.01	1.78

Hospital for Earthquake Victims

†2898. DR. A. K. PATEL: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that after the earthquake in Gujarat a sophisticated hospital with the capacity of five hundred beds sponsored by the International Red Cross Society and operated with the funds of Finland, Norway and Germany could not reach Bhuj till the 30th January;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) what action Government propose to take against the erring officers responsible for this negligence while the country is passing through the critical situation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHRIPAD YESSO NAIK): (a) to (c) The Indian Red Cross Society has informed that intimation about 350 bedded hospital was received by them through the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies on 28th January, 2001. The matter relating to landing of the aircraft of National Societies of Finland, Norway and Germany was immediately taken up with this Department and after necessary clearance, the consignment of the hospital was received and immediately installed at Bhuj on 30.1.2001.

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.